

IF IT HAPPENS IT'S IN THE HERALD

HIGHLY INTERESTING BY THE NEW YORK LIFE COMPANY

Legislative Investigation Brings Out Several Sensational Disclosures.

Treasurer Randolph Pinned Down to Direct Answers, Forced to Make Damaging Admissions—Misleading Statement Handed In.

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Selling \$300,000 in bonds one day and buying them back the next except one, a holiday statement made in the New York Life Insurance company's report to the superintendent of insurance, was the sensational disclosure made today at the session of the legislative insurance investigating committee...

While the insurance company was practicing collating loans, it was in the habit of leading its money to the trust company, which made the collateral loans. Mr. Randolph professed ignorance, the impossibility of remembering every transaction and interrupted again and again.

Misleading Statement.

Earlier in the day Mr. Randolph had handed Mr. Hughes a schedule of syndicate underwritings and transactions of the New York Life for the last ten years. This statement was to be given to the committee...

An Admission Forced.

After failing for some time to get a direct answer Mr. Hughes finally asked Mr. Randolph: "As a matter of fact there was a report to the superintendent of insurance on Dec. 31, 1904?"

Loss of \$30,000 Shown.

Following the navigation syndicate transaction Mr. Hughes referred to an item in the schedule of syndicate transactions under the heading of "Loss of \$30,000" which was sold to J. P. Morgan & Co. of London, for \$720,000.

Reluctant Answer.

Mr. Randolph finally said: "This was a question as to time whether our relation would continue with the company. The consolidation of the New York Life and the New York Security & Trust company held 5.6% shares, that is a majority of the 10,000 shares."

Interest Paid by Bankers.

In reply as to interest paid by the various banks which were the insurance company had deposits, Mr. Randolph said all of the banks paid 2 per cent except the Bank of Montreal, which paid 2 1/2 per cent.

Committee Not Satisfied.

"Some of the committee are not satisfied with your refusal to give the names of those who participated in the joint profit deals," answered Mr. Randolph. "That is an entirely confidential matter; there was no intimation on the part of anyone that I had failed to do so."



ANOTHER RUMOR FROM TIEN TSIN WARSHIP GOES TO THE BOTTOM

News Comes by Way of Rome that the Family of Baron Komura Was Assassinated During the Recent Riots in Tokio.

ROME, Sept. 12.—The Tribuna today publishes a rumor from Tien Tsin to the effect that the family of Baron Komura (the Japanese peace plenipotentiary, now in America, has been assassinated.

In view of the fact that the recent detailed dispatches describing the disturbance in Tokio have apparently been uncensored, it is not believed that the above rumor is well founded. The fact that it originated in Tien Tsin would also tend to discredit it, as Tien Tsin is not favorably located for the receipt of important news from Japan at first hand.

shown the report from Rome that his family had been assassinated. Mr. S., official spokesman of the Japanese army, said that no dispatches had been received by the peace envoys which could furnish any ground for believing the reported misfortune, and added that the other members of the Japanese considered the report to be entirely unfounded.

AMERICAN DECORATED BY RUSSIAN EMPEROR

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—Charles J. Murphy, formerly a foreign agent of the United States department of agriculture, yesterday received from Emperor Nicolas of Russia the decoration of the Order of St. Stanislaus. This honor, which is rarely conferred on American citizens, was given to him through the Russian embassy at Washington. It was reported that the emperor had heard of the Russian peasants during the famine of 1891, when, as foreign agent at Berlin, he had organized a relief fund, and started the movement for sending supplies of corn to Russia. Mr. Murphy formerly was a resident of Iowa, but at present resides in New York.

ADMIRAL TOGO'S FLAGSHIP

TOKIO, Sept. 12, 2 p. m.—The navy department announces that the battleship Mikasa has been destroyed by fire and the explosion of her magazine, causing the loss of 599 lives, including men of other ships who went to the rescue.

CRUDE OIL ADVANCES

Pittsburg, Sept. 12.—The Standard Oil company today advanced the price of all grades of crude oil. Pennsylvania oil was raised three cents and the other grades were advanced two cents. The quotations follow: Pennsylvania, \$1.30; Tiona, \$1.45; Corning, 7c; Newcastle, \$1.22; Cabot, \$1.95; North Lima, 88c; South Lima and Indiana, 88c; Somerset, 77c; Raglan, 82c.

AGREEMENT IS IMPROBABLE

Stockholm, Sweden, Sept. 12.—The delegates of Norway and Sweden appointed to discuss the dissolution of the union of the two countries will resume at Kalstad, Sweden, Sept. 12, and as it is declared here that the Swedish conditions are unalterable, the outcome seems to depend on the Norwegian acceptance of these conditions.

FOUL CRIME AVENGED.

Auburn, N. Y., Sept. 12.—Record breaking celerity was the only unusual feature of the electrocution of Henry Manzer today in the death chamber at Auburn prison. The witnesses entered the room at 6:05 o'clock. Manzer was escorted to the chair one minute later. In another minute he had been pinned to the chair and the mask had been drawn over his face.

LOCATED THE BLAME.

Fort Morgan, Colo., Sept. 12.—The coroner's jury which investigated the collision on the Burlington railroad at Brush, Colo., Sept. 5, in which four persons were killed and more than a score injured, found that the cause of the accident was the failure of the crew of the passenger train, which stopped to take water, to put out proper rear end lights or signals.

DEADLY COAL OIL CAN.

Phoenix, Ariz., Sept. 12.—Adolph Busser, living on a ranch east of Phoenix, last night used kerosene in starting a fire and an explosion resulted, causing the fatal burning of himself and the serious burning of her stepson. She died early this morning. The husband of the woman is the foreman of a silk mill at Phoenixville, Pa., and intended joining her here in a few weeks to reside permanently.

JAPANESE MASS MEETING.

Yokohama, Sept. 12.—Seven thousand persons attended a meeting today called for the purpose of protesting against the terms of a peace treaty. The meeting adopted a resolution favoring the resignation of the ministers and the safeguarding of the future by a more careful use of the ballot. The meeting dispersed quietly.

PATENTS ISSUED.

(Special to The Herald.) Washington, Sept. 12.—The following patents have been granted: 819,800—E. Allen, Salt Lake City, pump. 819,801—W. M. Kruse, Sundance, elevator brake. C. T. Paden, Cheyenne, combined brake and letter sheet.

SAID THE HANDWRITING ON THE WALL

Candidates on the Philadelphia Republican Ticket Have Withdrawn Their Names Before the Voters Got a Chance at Them.

PHILADELPHIA, Sept. 12.—Chairman Miles of the Republican city committee today received letters from the Philadelphia organization candidates for the county offices to be voted for at the November election withdrawing from the ticket. The candidates who withdrew are Harry C. Ransley, candidate for sheriff; John B. Lukens, candidate for coroner; Hugh Black and Jacob Wilmore, candidates for county commissioners.

prominent in the councils of the party. They were nominated by the regular Republican convention held some time previous to the Mayor Weaver's break with the organization. Since then a committee of twenty-one citizens has endeavored to secure the nomination of an entire new ticket for the purpose of securing reform within the party. The city party, a reform organization, and the Democratic party have announced their opposition to any ticket that may be named by the organization Republicans.

HUNDREDS GATHERED TO BID FAREWELL TO RUSSIAN ENVOY

NEW YORK, Sept. 12.—The Russian commissioners who successfully concluded a treaty of peace with the envoys of Japan at Portsmouth, N. H., started on their return to St. Petersburg today. The party, headed by Sergius Witte, sailed on the steamer Kaiser Wilhelm II at 3 o'clock this afternoon.

CONFERENCE WITH HEBREWS.

Before Mr. Witte left his hotel for the steamer today he had a conference with Isaac N. Seligman and Oscar Straus of the United States. Seligman and Straus are well known financiers, had been prominent in the same degree and proportion as other Russian subjects are allowed to participate.

RIOTS IN SPAIN.

Vaencia, Spain, Sept. 12.—The election disturbances here continue. Eight prominent republicans were among the wounded during one affray. Soldiers are guarding the clubs and newspaper offices.

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BUTCHERED BY FIERCE TARTARS

Armenians in the Caucasus Slain Without Mercy.

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WOULD SEE RUNNING AWAY

Fire at the Agricultural College Was Incendiary.

When fire was discovered the whole building was aflame, or rather there was fire in every part of it. The Herald correspondent who was not long after the blaze was discovered, and at that time fire was raging in the rear of the building, and the flames were spreading. By the light of the fire it could be plainly seen that some of the partitions in the building were made of inflammable material, yet the fire was on both sides of them. Parties who noticed the blaze before the fire had reached the building, hurriedly assert that two men were seen running down the steep hill southeast of the college and then escaping by going down hill into the upper part of Logan hollow. This story is being investigated today.

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BAD BLOW TO INSTITUTION

PRESIDENT KERR ABSENT AT ST. GEORGE.

(Special to The Herald.) LOGAN, Sept. 12.—The fire at the Agricultural college is the one absorbing topic of conversation here today, and comment is very bitter on account of the certainty in the public mind that incendiarianism was the cause of the blaze. Using the Sherlock Holmes' process of exclusion there is no tenable theory of the fire's origin left except incendiarianism. There was no electricity in the building at all, it having been shut off at 5 o'clock. The only men working in the building during the day were the foremen of the different divisions of the mechanic arts department and they had a small fire at 11 o'clock in the morning in order to heat a pot of glue, but this fire was completely extinguished before noon, and it is believed that it could not have spread if left burning.

KILLED BY COSSACKS.

Slaughter of Social Democratic Revolutionists at Tiflis.

Tiflis, Caucasus, Sept. 12.—A hundred social democrats were killed or wounded today in a conflict with Cossacks at the town hall, and many were trampled to death in the disturbance. Two thousand social democrats had forced an entrance into the town hall, which was closed owing to the celebration of a religious holiday. The head of John the Baptist. Revolutionary speeches were made and the captain of police ordered the meeting to disperse. Part of the present obeyed, but the remainder refused and some revolvers were fired. A large force of Cossacks drawn up outside the building then fired a volley into the crowd and time again killing thirty and wounding upwards of seventy. In the ensuing panic many persons fell and were trampled to death by their comrades and the pursuing Cossacks.

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OLD HERO NOT ON BOARD AT THE TIME.

TOKIO, Tuesday, Sept. 12, 6 p. m.—Admiral Togo was not on board the Mikasa when the disaster struck the battleship occurred.

CHOLERA IN PRUSSIA

Official Bulletin Reports Eight New Cases and Three Deaths For Yesterday.

Berlin, Sept. 12.—The official bulletin issued today announced that eight new cases of cholera and three deaths had been reported during the twenty-four hours ending today at noon making a total of 103 cases and 13 deaths.

SHOT BY A BURGLAR

Daughter of Steel Company Magnate Nearly Killed by Midnight Marauder.

Greenwich, Conn., Sept. 12.—Mrs. C. W. Morell, daughter of E. C. Morse of New York, an officer of the United States Steel company, was shot by a burglar who entered her residence here early today. The burglar struck her on the head with the jaw bone and imbedded itself in her shoulder.

PAT CROWE VISITS LINCOLN

Omaha Kidnaper Walks Into Bryan's Office, But Soon Afterward Disappears.

Lincoln, Neb., Sept. 12.—Pat Crowe, wanted on a charge of kidnaping the little son of Edward Cudahy, in Omaha, was in Lincoln yesterday and talked for half an hour with Richard Metcalf, associate editor of William J. Bryan's "Commoner," but the police before the police heard of his presence here. Crowe entered the Commoner office while the paper was being printed and drew there and asked to see Metcalf alone. "There is no warrant out for my arrest and the police will only file a charge of vagrancy if they caught him."

BUILDING TRADES COUNCIL

Action Taken to Strengthen the Organization.

Dover, Sept. 12.—The International Building Trades council convention today took action with a view to bringing into affiliation with the council three national organizations representing a membership of 200,000.

SCRIP DIVIDEND DECLARED.

Sheffield Iron and Steel Company in Good Condition.

New York, Sept. 12.—The directors of the Sheffield Iron and Steel company today declared a scrip dividend of \$2,500,000 on common stock, payable to the common stockholders of the company Oct. 2 next. The regular quarterly dividend of 1 1/2 per cent on its preferred stock and the usual semi-annual dividend of 2 1/2 per cent on its common stock were also declared. J. N. Wallace, president of the Central Trust company, was elected a member of the executive committee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of William F. Strong.

SMYZER CONCLUDES SPEECH IN DEFENSE

Wooster, O., Sept. 12.—Ex-Judge Smyzer concluded his argument in behalf of Mrs. Taggart today, after dwelling at length upon the alleged jealousy of Captain Taggart and the cruel treatment of his wife. Judge Smyzer took up the letters from Taggart to his wife which were read during the hearing.

BURYING VICTIMS OF THE EARTHQUAKE

Montebello, Italy, Sept. 12.—The work of burying the bodies of those killed in the recent earthquake continues. In the villages tents and cabins have been provided for the temporary shelter of the homeless.

MEETING POSTPONED.

Washington, Sept. 12.—The meeting of the board of consulting engineers of the Panama canal, which was to have taken place in New York this morning, was postponed on account of the inability of Mr. Bates to complete a special report for use at the meeting. Some of the members returned to Washington last night and others followed this morning. It has not yet been decided when the next meeting shall be held.

TAFI PARTY AT PEKIN.

Pekin, Sept. 12.—Major General Corbin, Rear Admiral Train, Miss Alice Roosevelt and the other members of their party arrived here this evening. They were met by American Minister Roosevelt and his wife, Baron Mumm de Schwarzenstein, Wu Ting Fang, vice president of the Chinese board of foreign affairs, Liang Sheng and other notables. Miss Roosevelt is the guest of Minister Koss. Her family and Baron Mumm de Schwarzenstein is entertaining several of the visitors.

ALWAYS IN THE FIGHT.

In the battle of the Sea of Japan the Mikasa was the heaviest loser of the Japanese ships, having sixty-three killed and wounded. She approached nearer to the Russians than any other battleship.

WILL BE RESUBMITTED.

London, Sept. 12.—The British foreign office has not taken any further action regarding the Anglo-Cuban treaty since the Cuban senate refused to ratify it, but it is understood that the treaty will be resubmitted to the senate at its next session, when it is hoped there that it will be ratified.